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In re the Application of :  
Jean-Marie BADOZ :  
Application No. 10/575,591 :  
Filing Date: April 12, 2006 :  
For a Patent for a :  
DEVICE FOR FIXING AND DRIVING A  
TOOTH TOOL IN A HANDPIECE HEAD : August 9, 2006

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being filed to advise the U.S. Patent Office of information which may be considered "material to patentability" in examining this patent application, in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

This application is derived from International Application No. PCT/FR2004/001913, and was filed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §371. The following documents are noted for being cited in the Search Report issued during the international stage of the PCT Application:

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6,053,732 (Sale) - Issued: April 25, 2000

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Copies of the above-listed documents should already have been received by the U.S. Patent Office, and a PTO-1449 form has been enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement to facilitate the Examiner's acknowledgement of the above-listed documents.

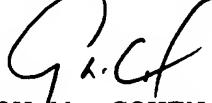
The U.S. Patent Office is further advised of an earlier search which was performed relative to French Patent Application No. 03/12958, the priority of which is claimed in connection with the present application. A copy of the issued Search Report, No. FA 641108, is enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement. The documents cited in the French Search Report duplicate the documents cited in the PCT Search Report.

Page 1 of the specification for this patent application, at line 14, also refers to EP 0 174 695, which was published on March 19, 1986, and which is commonly owned with the present U.S. Patent Application. A copy of EP 0 174 695 is enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement, and a concise explanation of the relevance of this non-English language document is provided in the specification for this patent application.

Due consideration of the foregoing document is respectfully requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a)(2). It is

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